

The Madison Journal takes strong grounds in favor of the Janesville and Evansville branch of the Northwestern railway, and says: "The business men of Janesville are inaugurating another effort to put that beautiful and thriving city upon the main line of the Chicago and Northwestern railway between Chicago and St. Paul. The city has been sacrificed and its natural growth thereby dwarfed for many years, all for the want of the little link of rail to Evansville, the building of which would make the line from Chicago to Madison practically as a line, and be an incalculable benefit to Chicago, to Janesville, to Madison, to the railway company itself. The proposition to effect this great improvement has been many times urged by the people of Janesville, but for some incomprehensible reason, the views of the people and of the company have never so harmonized as to bring about the much desired consummation. It is now understood that the company has volunteered the offer to build the connecting road, provided a free right of way shall be granted them from Janesville to Evansville. If such is the fact, the people most benefited cannot too soon close in with the proposition. It is believed that the cost of the right of way would be but a nominal sum—that many of the real estate owners along the proposed line would be benefited rather than injured by the road, and would be glad to donate the land necessary for the track, while others not so directly benefited would be willing to make some satisfactory terms. Madison is not a dissatisfied spectator to the progress of this enterprise. No line could be built which would so shorten the time between this city and Chicago, as would the building of this line. As before observed, it would make, to a certain extent, a direct air-line communication between the two cities, and could not but greatly facilitate the transmission of freight and passengers along the line from Janesville to its great northwest. The feasibility of its enterprise and the positive advantage to be attained by its consummation are so obvious that it seems to be absurd to urge them, and the only wonder that so potent an improvement has been so many years neglected, and its advantages thrown away.

It is surprising that a free-trader like ex-Congressman Horace Jones should go to Washington to lobby for increased protective duties on tobacco. But the farmers in his district grow tobacco. *—Milwaukee Sentinel.*

The school will readily observe that all member protectionists when their private interests are to be protected. Mr. Jones and his neighbors would be benefited by increased protective duties on tobacco, and notwithstanding the ex-congressman is a free trader, he is a protectionist as far as tobacco is concerned; and herein lies his inconsistency. He is a good deal like the democratic members of congress from Louisiana and Pennsylvania. The former are what may be called free traders, but they want protection on sugar so as to protect that industry in the south. The democratic members of congress from Pennsylvania are like Randall, protectionists especially as regards iron. And so are the democratic members in Ohio in favor of a high duty on wool, so that the latter industry of that state will be protected. The people of Michigan want a protective duty on lumber, and the farmers of Virginia, Kentucky, and Wisconsin want an increased duty on tobacco.

It will be seen from the statement of facts that special cases may demonstrate protectionists, while on general principle they clamor for free trade. While Jones, of Madison, for instance, wants protection on tobacco, he wants the duty taken off wool, which would oppress the farmers of Ohio; he would demoralize the sugar industry of Louisiana by removing the duty on sugar; and he would close the blast furnaces and stop the operation of the mines in Pennsylvania, simply to carry out the democratic idea of free trade. The republicans are wiser than the democrats. They advocate the American system of protection which protects all alike—the sugar growers of Louisiana, the tobacco farmer of Wisconsin, Kentucky, Virginia and Connecticut, the iron men of Pennsylvania, the wool raisers of Ohio, and the cotton planters of the south; and this is the wisest policy and the true principle.

The men who are quite sure that continued course of the cheap silver dollar will have to effect outside of Wall street, and will not work injury to general business interests, is asked to explain the significance of the following incident: Several large real estate owners in New York and Brooklyn have within a month provided themselves with new forms of "bonnets" in which are inserted the proviso that "rents shall hereafter be paid in gold." *—Evening Wisconsin.*

The Evening Wisconsin ought to be able to explain the significance of the action of the New York and Brooklyn real estate owners. It ought to know that no such clause in a tenants' lease would be demanded except by grinding and grasping men, who would rather take the last pound of flesh than to do any mortal a favor. So that there is no significance in the incident related by the Evening Wisconsin. The judgment of the more intelligent people of this country, no doubt is that there should be a limited silver currency. Common sense would dictate that this should be so. But that the continued course of the present dollar will drive gold out of the country and demoralize trade and ruin the finances of the country, is all bosh. The Evening Wisconsin will agree with the Gazette when it says that some of our most noted financiers have been sorely disappointed in regard to effect of the course of two million silver dollars a month. Even John Sherman, as far as seeing as he is in financial matters, once

said that the course of the present dollar for two years at the rate of twenty-four millions a year, would drive gold from the country. Mr. Sherman proved to be a very poor prophet, for instead of the course of silver driving gold away from the country, its effect has been to the contrary. So those who predict financial disaster if coinage should continue or if the bond should be paid in silver, will be sorely disappointed when it is seen that his unfortunate prophecy.

The total number of murders committed in the United States at least so far as can be ascertained, is 1,808 for 1885, as compared with 1,465 in 1884, 1,637 in 1883, and 1,407 in 1882. The causes are published as follows:

Quarrels..... 500
Liquor..... 150
Disputes..... 100
Highwaymen..... 50
Self defense..... 100
Infanticide..... 50

The legal executions in the United States for 1885, have been put down at 108, against 123 in 1884, 107 in 1883 and 121 in 1882.

The lynchings for the past year numbered 151 as against 135 in 1884 and 107 in 1883.

The number of persons who have committed suicide in the United States as reported by telegraph is 973, as compared with 842 in 1884, 727 in 1883, 734 in 1882, and 605 in 1881. Of the total number 389 were males and 187 females. The causes are as follows:

Mental..... 150
Insanity..... 100
Domestic trouble..... 50
Disappointed love..... 50
Business failure..... 50

The number of prominent persons who committed suicide during last year is greater than ever before known in this country.

William T. Price, the Wisconsin member of the house who voted against granting Mrs. Grant a pension, was born in Hanington county, this state, and is said to be a crank. *—Philadelphia Times.*

Poor Price is getting kicked all the way from Maine to Oregon for being the only man in congress who voted against the pension to Mrs. Grant. But to call him a crank is a libel on the dashing member from the Eighth district. The chief reason that induced him to vote against the bill was the fact that Mrs. Grant did not need the money, as she had more than she could spend, even if she engaged in luxurious living. He thought the money ought to go to poor soldiers or to the poor widows of deceased soldiers, and not to the rich. This is Mr. Price's defense.

The Ripon postoffice war has had a strange but pleasant ending. When the genial Dr. Everhard received his commission as postmaster, he went to the office and demanded the books and papers, but postmaster Upham ordered the doctor out and when he would not go, kicked him out. But Mr. Upham, reputed of this rash act, and finally gave up the office to Dr. Everhard. Now comes the news that the doctor and Mr. Upham's daughter will soon be united in marriage, and that Upham will remain in the postoffice as an assistant. This is a good way to begin the new year.

The total number of insane, both acute and chronic in the hospitals and county asylums in this state is as follows:

In the Northern hospital..... 230
In the Southern hospital..... 200
In the Milwaukee county asylum..... 200
In the Wisconsin county asylum..... 200

This makes a total of 2,234 in the state, which shows that insanity, especially chronic cases, is on the increase. It seems to be but a question of time, and of a very short time, when the present capacity for caring for the insane will be exhausted.

The year 1884 is deemed to have been a year of comparative activity in railway building in the United States, while the year 1885 is set down as one of particular dullness in this branch of enterprise. Yet statistics now at hand show that the miles of new road constructed in 1884 aggregated only 3,500, while in 1885 over 8,000 miles were built, or 600 miles more than were estimated by competent authority as late as July last.

Mr. Edison has invented a phonograph that will increase the power of the human voice four-fold. Mr. Edison himself is as deaf as a post and has no sympathy for people who can hear. Probably when he invented that machine his mind was on congress. The new phonograph will prove a great help to the members who want to hear themselves heard above the din and confusion of the house.

The Pennsylvania marriage law does not seem to suit the marriageable people of that state, and so they go to Canada, on the Jersey side of the Delaware. Before the law went into force the monthly average of marriages across the ferry was 43; in November the number went up to 203 and in December to 257.

President Cleveland, the other day, came very near being old time's best record. He shook hands with four hundred and fifty persons in sixteen minutes.

FIGHTING THE FLAMES.

DETROIT OPENS THE RECORD FOR THE NEW YEAR.

Destruction of a Fine Block of Buildings, with a Loss of a Million and a Half Dollars—Fireman Killed—Smaller Blazes.

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 2.—About 9 o'clock Friday morning fire was discovered in the immense seed warehouse of D. M. Ferry & Co., on Brush street. The building is a four-story brick structure, covering one-half of the block bounded by Croghan, Lafayette, Randolph and Brush streets. The fire spread rapidly, and when the first alarm of engines arrived in response to the alarm it was found necessary to send in another, and finally a general alarm, bringing out the entire fire department of the city. By the time that this force had arrived the fire had spread through the immense stock, consisting of seeds, dried grasses, boxes, and all the other elements of an immense stock. The building was soon a roaring furnace. The floors fell in and the whole place was in flames.

Across the alley and occupying the other half of the block was White's Grand theatre, an immense brick structure with a seating capacity of 3,000 people. The building could not be protected from the flames, which spread across a twenty-foot alley, ingress to which was impossible on account of the intensity of the flames. The theatre proved a total loss. The flames spread to a restaurant on the corner and to two large dry goods stores under the theatre, all of which were destroyed together with the offices of the Thompson estate, owners of the property.

From the burning block the flames, fanned by a slight breeze, spread southeast to the corner of Lafayette and Brush streets, where a three-story brick building, occupied by the Detroit Stamping company, an institution turning out an immense quantity of tin ware, locks and brass house trimmings. The loss of the factory of Ferry & Company was situated on the east side of Brush street and it was consumed. At 11 o'clock the roof of White's theatre fell in. The fire then spread across Croghan street to a ten-story building, the whole block of houses, several of them places of disrepute, were on fire. After a number of them had been badly damaged the fire was finally got under control at 1 o'clock.

A fireman named Richard Filbin, aged 25 and unmarried, was instantly killed by a falling wall on Randolph street. The victim was the sole support of a widowed mother. He had an excellent record in the department and had been promoted to a captaincy for bravery. Besides Filbin, Fireman McQuinty and McCreary, Assistant Chief Elliott and W. B. Hughes, editor of the Michigan Catholic, had narrow escapes from death.

The cause of the fire is a mystery. The seed warehouse was not only supposed to be fireproof, but there was no fire except the gas used for illumination in the building. The total losses are footed up are not less than \$1,500,000, of which Ferry & Co. lose \$1,000,000. The White's theatre property (including \$300,000 more, and the other losses are distributed between the following: Ernest Kern, dry goods; Theodore Hoan, cigar store; J. B. Benter, saloon and hotel. The insurance on the structures with aggregate nearly \$1,400,000, of which \$550,000 is on the seed warehouse, which was filled with goods. The Ferry building was erected at a cost of \$800,000. The loss factory worth \$600,000 and the Stamping company's building is valued at \$100,000. The stores of S. Kirchner and Day, Campbell & Co., dry goods dealers, situated under the theatre, will lose \$200,000. The seed company are already looking for accommodations to start up at once.

White's theatre was built in 1880, as a music hall, by a syndicate at a cost of \$800,000, and was inaugurated by the Northwestern sangster at their annual fest. The building was subsequently turned over to a theatre at a large expense. It is reported that White will not risk to carry out his theatrical engagements. While was doing the heaviest business of the town, in the best place in cheap prices, and a good place for months in the war against cheap theatrical prices.

Less Important Blazes.

London, Jan. 2.—The following dispatch is received from Dublin: The main storage gasometer of the Dublin Gas-works is on fire, and the entire city is illuminated by the great volumes of flame from the burning without gas, but the fire will probably exhaust itself before morning, and the damage can be temporarily repaired in twelve hours.

Akron, Ohio, Jan. 2.—At an early hour Friday morning the extensive roller process owned by Starbird, Hammond & Allen, Loss on building and stock, \$25,000; insurance, \$23,000. Origin of fire is not known.

Corvay, Pa., Jan. 2.—Fire Friday morning destroyed Corvay Clay flag-mills, owned by Starbird, Hammond & Allen. Loss on building and stock, \$25,000; insurance, \$23,000. Origin of fire is not known.

The Orphan Boy's Fate. CHICAGO, Jan. 2.—A dispatch from the special correspondent of The Times at Grand Haven, Mich., settles the fate of the schooner Orphan Boy, which has not been heard of since Dec. 1, 1885. The correspondent sends a letter from the keeper of the Grand Point on Sable life-saving station, in which it is stated that the beach at that point is strewn for ten miles with wreckage, consisting of timber and portions of a vessel, which must have been a wrecked schooner. To clinch the fact of identity, the stern of a yawl with the name "Orphan Boy" upon it is one portion of the wreckage found. This shows conclusively that the vessel was wrecked during the gale of Dec. 6, and that her crew went down with her.

Smallest Traveler on Record. VINCENNES, Ind., Jan. 2.—A small bundle of humanity was received early Friday morning from Cincinnati over the Ohio & Mississippi railroad, in the shape of an infant, aged 15 months, whose name is George. The woman was not accompanied by Solomon. The woman was not accompanied by Solomon. The woman was not accompanied by Solomon.

Providence Don't Want to Play Ball. PROVIDENCE, R. I., Jan. 2.—President Allen, of the Providence Base Ball association, has notified President Ballard and Secretary Wiggin, of the Eastern and New England leagues, that Providence will not apply for admission to either association owing to lack of public interest and the inability to find a suitable manager to secure a strong team.

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AFFAIRS IN IRELAND.

Inauguration of Dublin's New Mayor—Catholics Not Satisfied.

Dublin, Jan. 2.—Mr. T. D. Sullivan, M. P., author of the national anthem, "God Save Ireland," was inaugurated Friday as the Nationalist lord mayor with great pomp and much enthusiasm. From early morning the streets were crowded with people eager to catch a glimpse of the new ruler of the city and to witness the passage of the inaugural procession. The new lord mayor rode in a carriage at the head of the procession, which was made up entirely of artisans and laborers. Neither military nor police were allowed to participate. The carriage in which Mr. Sullivan sat was preceded by a body of young Irishmen carrying imitation flags. The processionists wore green sashes and rosettes, banners were carried with all sorts of mottoes, chief among them being "God Save Ireland," "Home Rule for the Irish," "No Harbored Fear," etc. The procession was very long and was over an hour passing a given point. Bands of music were freely interspersed and patriotic Irish airs only were played. Fully thirty bands were in line.

Catholics Give Notice of Contest. LONDON, Jan. 2.—Philip Callan, Nationalist member of the last parliament for County Louth, who was defeated at the recent election by Col. Nolan, has lodged a petition for the unseating of Col. Nolan, and the ordering of a new election. Mr. Callan claims that this result was caused by corruption and coercion, which are punishable under the corrupt practices act.

REVOLUTIONARY MISCREANTS.

The Spanish Idea of Advancing Republican Prospects—Leaders in Council. MADRID, Jan. 2.—The Republicans are becoming troublesome in the south of Spain. A band of revolutionists recently tried to destroy the railway bridge in the Cardeños pass of the Sierra Morena mountains, which separates La Mancha from Andalusia. Fortunately the travelers were dispersed while they were at work and two of them were arrested. They had cut through the underpinning of the bridge, and the next train which attempted to cross would have been wrecked if the plan had not been discovered. As it was, the damage was repaired, just in time to save a heavily loaded passenger train from the north. This train contained a number of southern members of the cortes, who were returning from Madrid. It is supposed that the outrage was attempted with the object of killing those senators and deputies, most of whom are royalists.

At Ciudad-Real, a few miles north of the scene of this outrage, a number of persons are said to be imprisoned on suspicion of conspiracy to make a revolutionary rising. At a Republican banquet held here Friday night in honor of the leader of the party, Sonor Corralia, the majority were in favor of revolutionary tactics, while the minority led by Senor Salmeron, the co-leader, protested against any extreme measures, as being harmful to the Republican cause and advocated seeking help from the Moderates.

New It's Head Vainly.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 2.—The usually quiet little community of Ludlow, Ky., directly opposite this city was shocked Friday evening by a terrible tragedy occurring in its midst. The principal victim was Joseph Holland, the proprietor of the Queen and Crescent saloon, on Oak street, and Thomas Crofton, a molder. During the afternoon Crofton was in the saloon drinking, and finally engaged in a fight with the proprietor. In the scuffle Crofton was wounded. After this he left the place, vowing vengeance against his assailant, and shortly after 5 o'clock he appeared on the scene with a revolver and threatened to shoot Holland. The latter, quick as a flash, reached for his shotgun, which was standing near the side-bar. Raising it to his shoulder, he pointed it full at Crofton and pulled the trigger. There was a loud report, and Crofton was lying on the floor with his head partially blown off. He was dead before his body touched the floor. Holland surrendered to the marshal and was locked up.

Big Consolidation in Iron.

Pittsburg, Jan. 2.—At a meeting of iron and steel manufacturers and furnace men Thursday, arrangements were made for the consolidation of Carnegie & Co.'s steel mill, at Homestead, the Lucy furnaces, and the large iron and steel mill of Wilson, Walker & Co. The new concern, which will be under the firm name of Carnegie, Phelps & Co., Limited, will be the largest iron and steel firm in the country. John Walker will be president; H. P. Smith, secretary, and W. H. Singer, treasurer. Extensive repairs will be made at the Homestead works and at Wilson, Walker & Co.'s both mills have closed down until the end of the month. Andrew and Thomas Carnegie are the largest holders of the stock in the new concern. The capital is nominally \$4,000,000, and large works will shortly be erected. The consolidation is regarded here as an indication of prosperity in the steel and iron trade during the coming year.

Did He Kill His Divorced Wife?

Pittsburg, Jan. 2.—Lizzie Bruns, the divorced wife of John Garlett, was found at 6:30 o'clock Friday night lying on the doorstep of Garlett's saloon on Grant street with a 36-caliber bullet hole under her left breast. She was picked up and carried into the house and died in a few minutes. Her last words were "shoot myself," but it is believed Garlett fired the shot. He was arrested and locked up, charged with murder. Although divorced six months ago, the couple still lived together and had frequent quarrels.

Accepted the Company's Terms.

Pittsburg, Jan. 2.—A Braddock, Pa. dispatch says: "The employees of the Edgar Thompson steel works have decided to accept the terms offered by the firm, and a sufficient number have signed the scale to run the mill. The desire for an unconditional turn was not granted by the company. The 700 employees at the five blast furnaces were idle Friday and the furnaces banked. This was in consequence of a refusal of the company to comply with the demands of employees for an advance in wages and shorter hours."

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The firm of Dimock & Hayner is this day dissolved. Mr. E. L. Dimock retiring from the firm. The undersigned will continue the business at the old stand, next door east of the Rock County National Bank. S. HAYNER, Janesville, Wis., January 1, 1886.

No Christmas or New Year's Table is complete without the elegant breakfast coffee or Para Tea. Sold only at The China Tea Store, West Milwaukee street.

Secure your shares early at Sutherland's.

Tobacco Growers—Buy your paper, twine, sprayers, etc. etc., of Handlett & Sheldon.

For the frames call at Sutherland's book store.

All parties indebted to the firm of Richardson and Becker are requested to call and settle as no credit will be granted when accounts of 1885 remain unpaid.

Go to Sutherland's for splendid gold pens.

HORSE SHOEING.

PRICES FOR 1886.

Lookie pad and shoe.....\$ 1.00
New hand turned shoe..... 70
Machine made shoe..... 40
Head turned cork shoe..... 40
Machine made cork shoe..... 30
Resoling old shoes (plain)..... 15
Resoling old shoes (extra)..... 20
Interfering a specialty, all work warranted.
W. M. BARNES.
Wall street between Franklin and Jackson.

Happy New Year to all at Sutherland's bookstore. Our store is well filled with very desirable goods. Call and see them.

Mr. Geo. F. Goodrich, of Rockford, will be in the city January 15, and will take orders for piano tuning. All orders by mail, or left with C. E. Mosley, or Mrs. Lizzie Bintliff will receive prompt attention.

Presented.

An elegant chrome, entitled "Christmas Morning" to all purchasers (large or small) during the whole of this week. THE CHINA TEA CO., West Milwaukee St.

For SALE CHEAP—A Portland cutter, inquire of E. Tracy Brown, 48 South Main street.

WANTED—By a reliable young man attending school—a place to work out of school hours and Saturdays, for his board. Address P. O. Box 665.

Bananas and pineapples at the Seaside.

Mandehling, Java and Arabian Mocha. Cheapest blend 33c at the China Tea Store, West Milwaukee street.

For a clean shave, refreshing bath or good hair cut, go to Anderson's barber shop, north Main street.

"Christmas Morning." An elegant chrome, presented to all purchasers during the whole of this week. Call early and get one; they are not. THE CHINA TEA CO., West Milwaukee Street.

It is a well known fact that Archie Reid can sell a better cloak for the money than any one else. He is a large buyer, and makes a specialty of sample hives and gives his customers the benefit of the discounts. Call and be convinced.

C. E. Bowles has money to loan.

Parties in want of water can be supplied by leaving orders at the Gazette office, or No. 2 engine house, by telephone or otherwise.

Two houses and lots for \$750 each, for sale by C. E. Bowles.

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More good news from C. E. Bowles, in this column.

The verdict of every lady after having looked around, is that Archie Reid's is the only place to buy a cloak and get good value.

Holiday goods and playing cards at Eldridge's.

For a fine selection of pantaloons good at prices that defy competition, go to W. C. Holmes & Son.

For silk umbrellas, fine neckwear of seal cape call on Holmes & Son, haters and fine furnisiers.

Call and see the new line of overcoats at Holmes & Son's.

—Great sale of choice cigars. I offer my entire stock of medium and choice cigars by the box, at cost during the holidays. A good cigar for 75c per box; choice, \$1.50; Key West Perfection \$2.00. Christmas boxes of cigars very cheap. W. T. VANKIRK.

Special sale of seventy five elegant sample plush cloaks at fifty cents on the dollar at Archie Reid's.

New folding work tables, hard wood \$1.00 up; new work buckets, at Wheelock's.

Do you know that Holmes & Son will sell you any hat in the store for \$2.00. Examine their stock; it will pay you.

New line of pantaloons at bottom prices at Holmes & Son.

Ladies don't buy a cloak until you have seen the beautiful line of samples at Archie Reid's they are sold at wholesale prices.

New neckwear at Holmes & Son's.

Cut buttons and scarf pins at Holmes & Son's.

Toy sewing machines make a useful present for a little girl cheap, at Wheelock's.

For gloves at Holmes & Son's.

—The great temperance drink, pure juice of the apple. The finest sweet cider made in New York state, for sale by W. T. Vankirk, wholesale and retail.

Parties wanting buckskin, or any other sometimes called, shamrock skin, or deer skin, will find a full stock for ladies and gentlemen, at Fitcher & Zeigler's.

THE ELLIOTT'S.

—The "Elliott's" at the rink to-night!—A bunch of keys has been left at the Gazette office for an owner.

—Doll Truesdell won an organ yesterday at the rifle at John Bauman's gun shop.

—The Kindergarten, in this city, will reopen Monday next, under the management of Miss Zeolla Foster. Morning session from nine to twelve o'clock.

—Next Tuesday the Evansville polo team will cross sticks here with the Janesvilles. The game will be played 30 minutes regardless of the number of goals made.

—The flowers are still in bloom out of doors in many parts of the city, and this morning Mrs. J. H. Huntress, of North Bluff street, presented the office with a beautiful bouquet of pansies picked from her garden.

—Orrie Withington, who has been confined to the house for a week past by sickness, is now able to be out of doors. He will return to his desk in the McCormick Reap Co.'s office at Chicago as soon as possible.

—There was a joyful family gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Atwood yesterday. There were several generations represented, among them thirty-six, who made the reunion one of joy and pleasure to all.

—No one should fail to see the Elliotts to-night, it being their last appearance. They give the finest exhibition ever seen in the city. Their Russian torch light scene with the electric lights extinguished being especially fine.

—Beloit has just purchased one thousand and five hundred dollars worth of new in our fire department, and will now trade their two hand fire engines for a four wheeled horse carriage. The Free Press fails to state how much "boot" they will give.

—New Year's calling was not generally observed yesterday, and while quite a number of ladies received, only those gentlemen who received invitations were expected. This change is due to several causes, any one of them being sufficient to render the old custom undesirable.

—To-night the members of LaPrairie Grange will install their newly elected officers and after the installation service will discuss an elaborate supper. A dance will take place after the supper and the members intend to have a good time from first to last.

—Miss Clara Drake, for several years a teacher in our public schools, has resigned her position, and accepted a similar appointment in the public schools at Minneapolis, receiving double the salary for the same work. Miss Drake has many friends in Janesville who, while regretting her leaving, will wish her continued success in her new field.

—This morning at two o'clock the spirit of Mrs. John Burns, of Rock, was taken from its earthly surroundings to the home beyond the grave. The deceased was over fifty-five years of age and during her long and useful life had made many friends. Her death resulted from inflammation of the lungs, she having been a sufferer from lung trouble for some time. She leaves a husband and no children to mourn her death. The funeral will be held Monday morning at ten o'clock from St. Patrick's church.

—New Years in Janesville was a very dull and quiet day. Business generally was suspended and people remained at home most of the day. Very few New Year's calls were made, and we believe none of our lady friends kept open house. Now and then a young man could be seen who had failed to "sweeten off" the night before, and who appeared to be tired carrying an overload of poor whisky. There were no fights to record, and altogether New Years of 1886 will have to be recognized as one of the very dullest that has been experienced in this city in many years.

—An effort is being made for the closing of the dry goods and clothing stores at six o'clock in the evening—Saturday excepted—with a fair prospect of success. Two or three stores are holding off awaiting the action of as many more tenacious fellows who believe in keeping open full hours. We hope the efforts to close will succeed, as we are convinced that but few, if any of our merchants receive trade enough after six o'clock in the evening to pay the expenses of their keeping open. We hope that this move will induce other merchants to follow in the same course, and that for the remaining months of winter all business houses will be closed at the same hour. The same policy was inaugurated last winter and was a great benefit to all concerned.

Girls' Social Club, Concert.

The line music last night was just enough to whet the appetite of our music loving community, rendering the prospect of a fullness of enjoyment next Tuesday night at the Girls' Social Club concert more to be desired than ever. Janesville's sweet singers were never in finer voice. The popular alto, Mrs. Day, excelled herself, the organ is a beautiful instrument with great sweetness and smoothness of tone, and with Mrs. Bintliff's handling left nothing to be desired.

All these sources of enjoyment will be offered to a generous public on the 5th inst., except this fine background for voices; but a fine piano will be supplemented with the additional attraction of Mrs. Louis Falk's voice and that of Mr. Arthur W. J. Williams, who, though a stranger among us, is rapidly becoming known for his fine bass voice.

The concert will be given at Luppini's music hall. Doors open at 7 o'clock. Commences promptly at 8 o'clock.

The Sisters' Fair.

The Girls' armory was well filled again last night, and everybody present passed a very enjoyable evening. A number of articles were drawn, many of them being of considerable value, and the winners were heartily congratulated. To-night the fair closes, and all friends of the Sisters of Mercy should make it a point to be present. All of the remaining prizes will be drawn, and anyone who comes will be sure to enjoy himself.

Prentice & Everson will refund the price paid if Acker's Blood Elixir does not relieve any skin or blood disorder. A new, but thoroughly tested discovery.

MATRIMONIAL.

DUNNE-McCOLLAGE.

On New Years eve, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Galbraith, Milton avenue, a happy company of relatives and friends were gathered to witness the marriage of Mr. Andrew J. Dunne, of Sioux City, Iowa, and Miss Mattie McColledge, of this city. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. R. Miller, of Kenosha, an old and intimate friend of the family, and who also joined Mr. and Mrs. John Galbraith, in holy wedlock some years ago, Mrs. Galbraith being a sister of the bride. Mr. Dunne with his happy bride entered the parlor at nine o'clock to the sweet music of a wedding march played by Miss Mary Sullivan, the bride being attired in a beautiful costume of drags of white silk with natural flowers. The beautiful ceremony performed, congratulations of the heartiest kind were extended, and the party sat down to the rich wedding feast which had been prepared for the occasion. The bride was the recipient of many very elegant and costly presents.

Mrs. Dunne has resided in this city for many years, and possesses a host of true friends, who join us in wishing her a long, happy and prosperous life with the partner of her heart's choice. The groom is connected with the Singer Sewing Machine company, and is a gentleman possessing many excellent qualities.

The newly married couple went to Milwaukee on the early morning train, where they will spend a short time among friends. They intend making their future home at Denver, Colorado, where Mr. Dunne will have charge of the Singer sewing machine offices.

HOWARD-BATES.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. O. VanGelder, in the town of LaPrairie, on Thursday evening, Mr. Ralph H. Howard, of LaPrairie, and Miss Viola B. Bates, daughter of Mr. J. D. Bates, of this city, took upon themselves the sacred vows which bound them as husband and wife. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Joseph Anderson, pastor of the M. E. church, of Shiopeia. The young couple are well known in this city and LaPrairie and their many friends will extend hearty wishes for their future prosperity and continued happiness.

Malignant Scarlet Fever.

The family of Mr. Patrick Ford, residing two miles south of Alton, is sorely afflicted with a malignant type of scarlet fever. Thursday one of the children died, as was then supposed, by poison from eating cheap candy. Yesterday two others becoming dangerous, a consultation of physicians was had, when it was found to be scarlet fever. Two died yesterday, and in order to prevent further spread of the disease all three bodies were brought to the city last evening, placed in coffins, and hurriedly buried in the Catholic cemetery. The bodies were brought into the city by the grief stricken father, who took them to the undertaking establishment of Messrs. Britton & Kimball, where they were placed in coffins and taken to the cemetery. There was considerable talk upon the streets regarding this exposure, and some were so uncharitable as to censure the undertakers, who are entirely innocent. Frank Kimball, who attended to placing the bodies in the coffin, knew nothing of the matter until the bodies arrived, and not knowing that death was caused by scarlet fever (having been told they were poisoned) he took them into the "dead room" of the establishment to prepare them for burial. He was soon informed of the true cause of the deaths, and then he took every precaution to hurry the bodies to the cemetery without further exposure. That the bodies should be brought to the city in this manner, cannot now be accounted for.

We understand that three other members of Mr. Ford's family are down with the same disease, but not dangerous at this time. Truly, this is a sad affliction for one family, and one which will call forth the heartfelt sympathies of the whole community towards the darkened household.

Persons.

—Mr. J. C. Tobias, of Sargent, Nebraska, is in the city, the guest of his brother Mr. Sol Tobias.

—Mrs. R. E. Watts, of Hampton, Iowa, is in the city visiting her son, Mr. David Watts, South Main street.

—State Veterinary Surgeon Atkins is in the city to-day, attending to some professional business.

—Miss Alice Wolfe, of Milwaukee, is a guest of Miss Della Wadsworth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Wadsworth.

—Mr. and Mrs. Frank N. Webster, home was saddened on New Years by the arrival of a fine ten-pound boy.

—Miss Laura Fitz, who has been visiting for a short time with Miss Jennie Hayes, of the first ward, returned to her home in Chicago yesterday.

The Elliotts.

The celebrated Elliott family—six in number—is the great attraction at the Riverside rink. On Thursday evening and yesterday afternoon and evening, large audiences greeted them at the above popular place of amusement, and their fancy bicycle and bicycle riding was highly appreciated by all. The little boy clown was immense, and created as much if not more excitement than a full grown circus jester. The Elliott entertainment is a good one, and they will appear again this evening at the same place. Go and see them.

The Weather.

At seven o'clock yesterday morning the thermometer indicated 33 degrees above zero. Cloudy with south east wind. At one o'clock p. m. the register was 39 degrees above zero. Cloudy with south wind. For the corresponding hours last year the register was 46 degrees below and 2 above zero. At seven o'clock this morning the thermometer indicated 37 degrees above zero. Cloudy with west wind. At one o'clock p. m. the register was 52 degrees above zero. Partly cloudy with northeast wind. For the corresponding hours one year ago the register was 14 degrees below and 9 degrees above zero.

Call at Sutherland's and see the bargains they are offering in double blankets. They also have a few good coat sleeves left, which they would like to exchange for cash.

NEW YEAR'S BURGLARIES.

Three Residences Entered at an Early Hour Yesterday Morning.

The Crooks secured but a small amount of plunder.

At an early hour on Thursday morning, the exact time not being known, the residence of Mr. Charles Sexton, corner of North Jackson and Wall streets, first ward, was entered through the bay window by burglars. On retiring Mr. Sexton left the apartment in the sitting room, from which room entrance to his sleeping room was made. The burglars secured his pants, the pockets containing thirty-five dollars in gold, a diary and several other small articles. The diary was found in the morning upon the center table in the sitting room, the pants were found in the yard, with all the contents excepting the gold. No other articles have been missed by Mr. Sexton's family.

The home of Mr. Jerome Howland, corner of Milton avenue and Harmony streets, second ward, was entered some time after one o'clock the same morning. Here the burglars took three suits of clothes belonging to Mr. Howland, outside in the yard, where they were examined but no valuables or money was found. In the pockets of one pair of pants were four pennies, which were not taken. The clothing was found in the yard in the morning. The burglars entered the house through a window in the front part.

The next house to receive attention was that of J. Maurice Smith, North Bluff street, second ward. Mr. Smith did not retire to bed until after one o'clock yesterday morning. The burglars entered his house by raising a front window, which was unfastened. Mr. Smith thinks chloroform was used, as when he and his wife awoke in the morning there was a strong smell of that drug in the room, and they felt its effects in a severe headache. The burglars secured Mr. Smith's pants and boots. In his pants were four keys, three of which he found in the yard in the morning. A railroad switch key was carried off with the pants and boots. Mr. Smith had considerable money in his vest, which was under his pillow, with his watch. He thinks the burglars have been in a hurry or frightened before making a thorough search of the room. The officers are on the lookout for suspicious characters, at the same time it is well that our citizens secure the locks and fastenings at their homes, or lay in waiting for these night prowlers. A leaden bullet is the best known remedy to prevent these nocturnal visits, and an occasional victim tends to frighten the "varmints" away.

Last night while Bartholomew Malone proprietor of the saloon just south of Jackson's livery stable, was away, the saloon was entered and a keg of wine, one of beer, considerable whisky, some cigars and two decanters were stolen. The burglars cut out the glass in a side window. To-day warrants were issued for the arrest of John O'Neil, Andrew Orr and George Treowith, charged with the crime.

"Shall our girls whistle?" Of course if they strengthen their lungs by taking Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup.

"When headache joins neuralgia, then comes the tag of war." A wise general maintains the force, charges with a bottle of Salvation Oil, and the doughty foe lies erasing in the dust.

Watch Night.

The time honored custom of watching out the old year and welcoming in the new, was observed at Court Street church on Thursday night. The revival services closed at ten o'clock, and at eleven o'clock an audience of about four hundred assembled to enjoy the watch night service, which was very impressive. The closing moments of 1885 will long be remembered by all who were present. In the solemn quiet of the midnight hour, when every head was bowed in thoughtful meditation, the old book closed and the new was opened with many good resolutions formed.

Mr. Harrison conducted the meeting and stated at the close that it was the best watch night in all his sixteen years experience. The revival meetings are increasing in interest and the church is crowded night after night, and the altar thronged with earnest seekers. Last evening at the opening of the services the treasurer of the finance committee stated that Mr. Harrison would remain another week if thought desirable. A practical expression accompanied by about one hundred dollars indicated the generous sympathy of the audience with the work. Mr. Harrison has a six weeks engagement at Springfield, Illinois, and has promised to commence his work there next Tuesday evening, he will ask to be released for another week, feeling that the meeting here has reached a point in interest where it would be detrimental to stop. In this feeling he is heartily endorsed by the church who are unanimous in desiring him to remain.

Language fails to express the good results I have experienced with Acker's. My head was drawn over my left shoulder with rheumatism, but half a bottle made me as good as new. A. B. Baker, 305 West Harrison street, Chicago, Ill.

School Board Meeting.

The board of education held a meeting at the common council chamber last evening, President St. John in the chair, and all the commissioners being present except Commissioners Bowles and Smith.

The reading of the journal of the last meeting was dispensed with.

The bills of H. Ames, for cleaning privy vaults; and of Prof. Keyes for postage were audited.

Supt. Keyes recommended that May Clerk be appointed to fill the vacancy in the first intermediate department, third district, vice Miss Clara Drake, resigned.

Pending the discussion of this recommendation, President St. John called Commissioner Richardson to the chair and retired from the meeting.

Without taking action on the recommendation, the meeting adjourned until Tuesday evening, January 12, when it is hoped there will be a full meeting.

Wolf, buffalo and goat robes, at James A. Fathers', corner Court and Main streets.

THE ORGAN CONCERT.

The New Organ of the Baptist Church Dedicated Last Evening.

The good people of the Baptist church begin the new year under very favorable circumstances. Well established in a beautiful house of worship, they have nothing to ask in that direction, now that the one thing lacking, a pipe organ, has been put in place. The instrument is a masterpiece both in purity of tone and in construction. In the concert last evening its melody seemed to charm the listeners, and the organist, Mrs. Lizzie Bintliff, received round after round of applause.

The first number on the programme was "March in Bb" beautifully rendered by Mrs. Bintliff. Following that came the quartette, "Up, Brothers, Up," which was a fine selection well sung by Mrs. J. W. St. John, Mrs. O. B. Conrad, Mr. F. L. Hayden and Mr. Charles L. Clark. Kullak-Bell's "Pastorale" on the organ received much well-merited applause. Mrs. J. B. Day, that favorite of Janesville audiences came next and her selection entitled: "The New Organ," was read up well that she received an encore, responded by Tenneyson a "Bag's Song." The first part of the programme was ended by the duet "Quies est homo" by Mrs. St. John and Mrs. Conrad. The ladies seemed at their best and their singing was very enjoyable.

Part second was opened by Bach's "Fugue in D minor" well rendered by Mrs. Bintliff. The violin solo by Miss Gertrude Wheeler was enthusiastically received and she was obliged to respond to an encore. Mrs. Day was also heartily applauded for her reading of a selection from David Copperfield. Following her was Mrs. Bintliff with Fungall's "Pessant's March," which was thoroughly appreciated. The trio by Mrs. St. John, Mrs. Conrad and Mr. Hayden was also excellent, and received an encore. This was responded to by the beautiful quartette "The Woodbird," the singers being Mrs. St. John, Mrs. Conrad, Mr. Hayden and Mr. Clark. The closing number consisted of two selections on the organ, one being "Elevation," by Gullman, and the other, "Pastorale," by Lemmon. Both are grand compositions, and they lost none of their power in Mrs. Bintliff's interpretation. She held the large audience spell-bound, and when the last notes died out and the people started home, they went well pleased with the evening spent amid such sweet sounds.

The concert was a great success, and the managers may well be congratulated, but still more are the members of the Baptist church to be congratulated on having such an excellent instrument in their temple of worship.

In the pursuit of the good things of this world we anticipate too much; we cut out the heart and sweetness of worldly pleasures by the selfish forethought of them. The results obtained from the use of Dr. Jones' Red Clover Tonic far exceed all claims. It cures dyspepsia and all stomach, liver, kidney and bladder troubles. It is a perfect tonic, appetizer, blood purifier, a sure cure for nervous and malarial diseases. Price 50 cents, of druggists.

CHURCH DIRECTORY.

Giving the Time and Place Where Divine Services Will Be Held on Sunday.

METHODIST CHURCH—Corner of Jackson and Center streets. Rev. Joseph Walker, Pastor. Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 12 m. Prayer meetings Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

Quarterly meeting, Love feast at 9:30 a. m. In connection with the morning service, will be the reception of members. Baptism and communion.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH—Corner of Court and Third streets. Rev. Joseph Walker, Pastor. Sunday services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 12 m. Prayer meetings Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

The pastor will occupy the pulpit at 10:30 a. m., delivering a discourse entitled "The Wheel of Time."

BAPTIST CHURCH—Corner of Jackson and Pleasant streets. Rev. M. G. Boddy, D. D., pastor. Sunday services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 12 m. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 7:30.

Preaching morning and evening, by the pastor. Mrs. Bintliff will preside at the organ.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—On Jackson street. Rev. W. F. Brown, Pastor. Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 12 m. Prayer meetings Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

Preaching by the pastor morning and evening. After morning sermon the sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered and new members taken. During the week which is the week of prayer, the pastor will conduct special services at the church on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings. Next Sabbath morning, Jan. 10th, the Kansas of foreign missions will be presented.

COURT STREET M. E. CHURCH—Corner of Court and Center streets. Rev. W. F. Brown, Pastor. Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 12 m. Prayer meetings Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

The pastor, Rev. W. A. Evans, will preach in the morning, the Rev. Thomas Harrison assisting. A number of new members will be received into the church. Revival services will be held in the afternoon at three o'clock, and in the evening at seven o'clock, young people's meeting being at six o'clock. Mr. Harrison will preach both afternoon and evening.

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